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General Comment

To: Leadership and Staff, National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)
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Re: Public Comments on NIST-2021-0003-0001 Promoting Access to Voting

Dear Director Chambers and NIST Staff,
Thank you so much for the opportunity to offer our public comments on NIST-2021-0003-0001 Promoting Access to Voting. When talking about voting rights, it is easy to slip into high minded rhetoric instead of focusing on the critical infrastructure necessary to ensure that more Americans can be engaged, active citizens, invested in making their voices heard. For millions of American voters with disabilities, too often their voices are ignored, and they face distinct barriers to casting their ballots in local, state, and national elections. Likewise, given the great diversity and intersectionality of the disability community, issues impacting voters of color from marginalized communities directly harm many voters with disabilities and demand swift action from decision makers to protect their rights.

Our full comments and useful background slides are included in the attached PDF. Thank you very much!

Attachments

RespectAbility NIST Voting Access for People with Disabilities PUBLIC COMMENTS 07-16-21